MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TITLE I REGIONAL ASSISTANCE GRANT (RAG) FISCAL COMPLIANCE

Fiscal Review Indicators

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INDICATORS OF FISCAL AND PROGRAM COMPLIANCE

The purpose of this document is to provide Intermediate School Districts (ISDs) with a framework for the compliance requirements of the Title I, Part A Grants to Local Education Agencies-Regional Assistance Grants (RAG) authorized by the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), as amended, Title I, Part A, 20 U.S.C. 6301 ("No Child Left Behind Act of 2001"). It serves as a guide for monitoring and support activities conducted by the Michigan Department of Education. The key components of the document reflect a comprehensive review and alignment with federal regulations: 34 CFR 200 and Improving Basic Programs Operated by LEAs; OMB Circulars No. A-102 and No. A-87 apply to this program (this program is excluded from coverage under OMB Circular No. A-110); 2011 OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement. Examples of evidence of implementation at the school-level and at the district-level are provided. Examples of evidence are intended as a "guide" and should not be considered a restricted list.

Fiscal Monitoring

The following items, at a minimum, should be available for review during the fiscal monitoring visit. (These items will encompass all of the *Examples of Evidence* as noted in the chart below).

- Board minutes
- □ Copies of approved Title I, Regional Assistance Grant (RAG) application and all related budget amendments
- Personnel information
 - List of RAG personnel
 - Job descriptions
 - o Copies of contracts for ISD contracted RAG staff
 - Semi-annual certifications and Personnel Activity Reports (PARS) as appropriate
 - o Time and attendance records
 - Payroll Distribution Report
- Evidence of expenditures
 - o ISD purchasing policy and procedures
 - ISD detail budget report
 - Purchase orders, contracts with terms and conditions, invoices, etc. available on site
 - Bids for goods and services
- Evaluation of bids, contracts, and/or awards
 - Proof of advertisements (method of dissemination or posting, and length of posting)
 - o Request for Proposals, if applicable
 - o Evaluation, documentation, and rationale for vendor selection
 - o Documentation of price quotations, bids and proposals
 - o Documentation of Board approval of award or contract



- ☐ Cash Management
 - o Documentation to support requests for funds
- Assets
 - o inventory of durable equipment, supplies and materials purchased with RAG funds by district, school, building and room location
 - o inventory includes date of purchase, cost, source of funds used for purchase
 - inventory of durable goods include non-consumable items with an expected life of more than a year, including books for distribution to ISD, LEA and building staff for professional development



	Background Information	on	
ISD:		District Code:	
Priority Schools Served:			
Focus Schools Served:			
Core Review Team Members: Date of Review:			

Findings of Non-Compliance for each Indicator

Please identify all indicators of non-compliance. If all indicators are compliant, please leave blank.

1.1 1.2 1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.8	2.1	3.1	4.1	4.2	5.1	5.2	5.3	5.4	5.5	6.1



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Key Indicators	Compliant	Non- Compliant	
1.1 Is it evident that budgets and expenditures for the			
Regional Assistance Grant 1003(a) are: 1.1.1 Allocable? 1.1.2 Reasonable and necessary? 1.1.3 Meeting program intent and purposes? 1.1.4 Aligned with the approved application on file at the SEA? 1.1.5 Obligated and liquidated in accordance with the approved plan within the approved grant period?	Examples of Evidence MEGS+ Title I Regions Assistance Grant, 1003(a) applications Evidence of expenditu (district detail budget report, purchase order contracts, staffing, invoices, etc.) availability on-site expenditures support		
Authority: OMB Circular A-87 http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars-a087-2004/	Service Pla by the ISD districts an		

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1.2 Has the ISD submitted amendments to request changes in the Regional Assistance Grant 1003(a), and was MDE			
approval granted prior to implementation of program modifications?	• Approved amendme MEGS+	-	
Authority: § PART 200—UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS §200.308 Revision of budget and program plans:	Approved updated RAG Service Plans MEGS+		
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1.3 Is it evident that contracts and agreements for products and services are made in accordance with applicable federal, state, and local regulations as well as audit	Examples of Copies of			
guidelines? 1.3.1 Do contracts for services include terms specific	Copies of contracts and agreementsISD purchasing policies and			
and appropriate to the RAG? Are there specific and appropriate job descriptions or Scope of Work terms relevant to the RAG services required?	procedure	es		
Authority: : § PART 200—UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS §200.318 General procurement standards: http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-				
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1.4 Is time and effort documentation available, approved, and signed by appropriate individuals, if applicable?			
Authority: OMB Circular A-87, Appendix B to Part 225, 8(h) http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars-a087-2004/ See also, MDE resources, Sample Written Procedures: http://michigan.gov/mde/0,1607,7-140-6530-9091 ,00.html Comments:	 Examples of Evidence List of RAG funded personnel/positions Personnel Activity Reports Semi-annual certifications Job descriptions Payroll records Work schedules 		

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1.5 Are there employees that are partially paid (less than 1 full FTE) from RAG funds? If so, how is time documented for		-		
those employees?	 List of RA personnel Personnel Reports Semi-ann certification Job descriptes Payroll re Work school Financial 	G funded /positions Activity ual ons iptions cords edules		
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1.6 For employees paid from multiple funding sources, do			
timesheets properly reflect work performed in each cost objective/index code (RAG and Non-RAG)?	 Examples of Evidence Personnel Activity Reports Job descriptions Payroll records Work Schedules 		
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1.0 Activities Allowed or Unallowed Allowable Cost/Cost Principles				
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1.7 If salaries are prorated and not paid from one funding				
source, are benefits prorated/allocated based on the funding ratio? MDE will verify a sample of transactions.	Examples of Evidence Payroll records Financial records			
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2.0 Cash Management				
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2.1 Review of CMS and accounting records to compare				
actual request for funds that the funds drawn to determine	Examples of	f Evidence		
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3.1 An ISD that uses RAG funds to serve one or more priority or focus schools may use RAG funds only to supplement the amount of non-Federal funds that the school would otherwise have received if it were not operating a Title I program, including those funds necessary to provide services required by law for students with disabilities and limited English proficient students. However, a school does not need to identify particular children as eligible to participate or demonstrate that RAG funds are used only for activities that supplement those the school would otherwise provide with non-Federal funds. 3.1.1 Has the ISD passed through any RAG funds to another entity, e.g. to an LEA for stipends/costs to support school level participation in professional development? Authority: Sections 1114(a)(2)(A)(ii) and (B) of the ESEA (20 USC 6314(a)(2)(A)(ii) and (B))): http://www2.ed.gov/policy/elsec/leg/esea02/pg2.html#sec1114	Examples o • Financial		



4.0 Accounting & Internal Controls			
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4.1 Did the amounts expended during the grant period agree with the activities in the approved application? Were	Examples of	f Evidence	
the proper budget amendments made in MEGS+? Were there changes to the Service Plan, if required?	 RAG Grant Application and Amendments MEGS Approved Budget Final Expenditure reports 		
Authority: § PART 200—UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS §200.302 Financial management: http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-			
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4.2 Does the RAG maintain separate accounting records of funds made available under the RAG, 1003(a)?	Examples of	f Fyidence
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5.1 Does the ISD have procurement policies in place that		
are in alignment/agreement with Federal Procurement Standards regarding assuring a competitive process? 5.11 Does the ISD document price quotations, bids and proposals, and the rationale for vendor selection for all transactions? Authority: § PART 200—UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS §200.319 Competition: http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/retrieveECFR?gp=&SID=fe1d84748c84ff79afd28141502393ff&mc=true&n=pt2. 1.200&r=PART&ty=HTML34 CFR 80.30#se2.1.200_1319	Examples of Board pol ISD Proce	icies

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5.0 Procurement & Suspension and Deba	rment	
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 5.2 Does the ISD have written procurement policies and procedures that address the following: 5.2.1 Selection procedures require that solicitations incorporate a clear and accurate description of the technical requirements for the material, product, or service to be procured, identify all requirements that the contractors must fulfill, and include all other factors to be used in evaluating bids or proposals 5.2.2 Ethical conduct: Does the ISD have 	Examples of Board pol ISD Proce	icies
policy/procedures for ethical behaviors by both ISD staff and vendors in regard to vendor selection (not just conflict of interest policy/procedure)? Authority: § PART 200—UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS §200.319 Competition: http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-		
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5.0 Procurement & Suspension and Debarment		
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5.3 How does the ISD verify the legitimacy/allowability of		
transactions related to grant expenditures? MDE will verify that different individuals are initiating and reviewing/approving transactions.	Examples of Evidence Financial records Purchase orders	
Authority: § PART 200—UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS, §200.303 Internal controls : http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/retrieveECFR?gp=&SID=7800bb05623e09327af86c3771d9d3e2&mc=true&n=pt2.1.200&r=PART&ty=HTML#se2.1.200_1303		
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5.4 How does the ISD ensure contracts or sub-grants are		
not awarded to suspended or debarred parties? 5.4.1 Does the ISD document its review of vendors in the federal System for Award Management (SAM)?	 Examples of Evidence Financial records District contracting policies and procedures Board policy Documentation of SAM check of vendors 	
Authority: § PART 200—UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS, §200.213 Suspension and debarment : http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/retrieveECFR?gp=&SID=7800bb05623e09327af86c3771d9d3e2&mc=true&n=pt2.1.200&r=PART&ty=HTML#se2.1.200_1213		
OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement 2014: http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars/a133 compliance suppleme nt 2014 See in particular: Part 3 – Compliance Requirements, pages 3-I-2 and 3-I-5 MDE Suggested Procedures - Suspension Debarment: http://www.michigan.gov/documents/mde/Suspension Debarment 38 7950 7.doc?20151009100325		
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5.0 Procurement & Suspension and Deba	rment	
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5.5 A sample of procurement documents will be selected and reviewed for: 5.5.1 Rationale for the method of procurement, selection of contract type, contractor selection or rejection, and the basis of contract price 5.5.2 Evidence that procurements are secured through full and open competition 5.5.3 Single source procurement instances – evidence	Examples of Board min Bid files Price quo Evaluatio Documen	F Evidence nutes tations ns of bids
and rationale to limit competition in those cases where appropriate and a determination if the limitation was justified 5.5.4 Evidence that contract files exist and that appropriate cost or price analysis was performed in connection with procurement actions, including contract modifications and that this analysis supported the procurement action. 5.5.5 Evidence that Federal awarding agency		
approved procurements exceeding \$150,000 when such approval was required. Procurements (1) awarded by noncompetitive negotiation, (2) awarded when only a single bid or offer was received, (3) awarded to other than the apparent low bidder, or (4) specifying a "brand name" product. 5.5.6 Evidence of compliance with other procurement requirements specific to the award.		
Authority: § PART 200—UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS, §200.213 Suspension and debarment: http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/retrieveECFR?gp=&SID=7800bb05623e09327af86c3771d9d3e2&mc=true&n=pt2.1.200&r=PART&ty=HTML#se2.1.200_1213 OMB Circular A-133 Compliance Supplement 2014: http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars/a133_compliance_supplement_2014 See in particular: Part 3 - Compliance Requirements, Section 3-I, pages 2-6. Authority: : § PART 200—UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS,		



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§200.319 Competition: http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-	
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rue&n=pt2.1.200&r=PART&ty=HTML34 CFR 80.30#se2.1.200_1319	
§200.320 Methods of procurement to be followed:	
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Search on System for Award Management (Search Records):	
https://www.sam.gov/portal/SAM/?portal:componentId=8e1441a6-	
72e4-4ab0-86a8-	
b0884f22dc78&interactionstate=JBPNS rO0ABXc0ABBfanNmQnJpZGdlV	
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6.0 Fixed Assets			
Key Indicators	Compliant Status Compliant Non- Compliant		
6.1 Evidence of an asset inventory for items purchased with RAG funds. Non-consumable, durable goods purchased with federal funds (including books), with a life a life expectancy of one or more years, should be documented on an inventory that identifies the items purchased, date of purchase, cost, source of funds, and location of the item, including the building and room number. The inventory should be updated, at minimum, on an annual basis. Authority: : § PART 200—UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE REQUIREMENTS, COST PRINCIPLES, AND AUDIT REQUIREMENTS FOR FEDERAL AWARDS, §200.313 Equipment: http://www.ecfr.gov/cgi-bin/retrieveECFR?gp=&SID=7800bb05623e09327af86c3771d9d3e2&mc=true&n=pt2.1.200&r=PART&ty=HTML#se2.1.200_1313	 and proce Fixed assorting of equipm purchased funds by room loca Items bear inventory identificat are consist 	et policies edures et inventory nent d with RAG building and ition ar an	
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